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Introduced by:
(GL)

AN ACT CONCERNING SWIMMING POOL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORK.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 20-417aa of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) As used in this section, "swimming pool maintenance and repair
4 work" means the performance of all plumbing, heating and electrical
5 work necessary to service, modify, [or] repair, replace, alter or
6 maintain any swimming pool, hot tub, spa or similar recreational or
7 therapeutic equipment, where such work commences at an outlet,
8 receptacle, connection, back-flow preventor or fuel supply pipe
9 previously installed by a person holding the proper license.
10 "Swimming pool maintenance and repair work" includes: (1) The
11 renovation or repair of nonpotable water structures or components of a
12 pool, hot tub or spa, including, but not limited to, the shell, tiling and
13 coping, concrete finish or vinyl liner of such pool, hot tub or spa; and
14 (2) the draining, acid washing, [or] backwash filtration or water
15 treatment of a swimming pool. The renovation or repair of nonpotable
16 water components of a pool, hot tub or spa required to be installed,

17 renovated or repaired by a licensed plumber or electrician shall not be
18 considered swimming pool maintenance and repair work. The holder
19 of a limited license for swimming pool maintenance and repair work
20 issued pursuant to this section shall not be subject to the provisions of
21 chapter 400, provided such license holder is acting within the scope of
22 the license.

23 (b) On or after July 1, 2000, the following limited licenses for
24 swimming pool maintenance and repair work may be issued by the
25 Department of Consumer Protection upon authorization of the
26 Plumbing and Piping Work Board established under the provisions of
27 section 20-331: A limited swimming pool maintenance and repair
28 contractor's license and a limited swimming pool maintenance and
29 repair journeyman's license.

30 (c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, with the advice and
31 assistance of the Plumbing and Piping Work Board, shall adopt
32 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to
33 implement the provisions of this section. [, including establishing the]
34 Such regulations shall establish: (1) The amount and type of experience
35 and training required to qualify an applicant for an examination for
36 any limited license for swimming pool maintenance and repair work,
37 (2) the specific trade areas for which limited licenses for swimming
38 pool maintenance and repair work shall be issued and specific trade
39 areas for which no such limited licenses shall be required, (3)
40 swimming pool maintenance and repair work trainee requirements
41 and training specifications, (4) continuing professional education
42 requirements for persons licensed pursuant to this section, provided
43 such persons shall be required to complete not less than three hours of
44 such continuing education biennially, (5) qualifying criteria for
45 accredited professional continuing education programs, and (6) criteria
46 for waiver of professional continuing education requirements for good
47 cause.

48 (d) Any person engaged in swimming pool maintenance and repair
49 work prior to July 1, 1999, may apply to the Department of Consumer

50 Protection for the appropriate limited license and such license shall be
51 issued without examination upon demonstration by the applicant of
52 experience and training equivalent to the experience and training
53 required to qualify for examination for the appropriate limited license,
54 if such applicant makes such application to the department not later
55 than January 1, 2006.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	20-417aa

GL *Joint Favorable*